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0500 Hours

NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTER

PRELIMINARY SITUATION REPORT NO 35

BRASS KNOB missions [REDACTED]  
Preliminary analysis of the aerial photography from these missions reveals the following items of interest:

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1. HOLGUIN AIRFIELD

Four FAGOT/FRESCO are present along with 30 small crates.

2. SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

3. CARDENAS PORT

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

4. CAIBARIEN PORT

No large vessels observed. Numerous small craft are present. No apparent change noted in facilities since [REDACTED]

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5. CASILDA PORT

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

6. CIENFUEGOS PORT

One freighter, 2 PT boats and 2 probable patrol craft are present. No military equipment storage observed in port. No apparent change noted in facilities since [REDACTED]

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7. LA ISABELA PORT

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

8. HAVANA PORT

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

9. MARTEL NAVAL PORT

No report. Area is cloud covered.

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10. MATANZAS PORT

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

11. NUEVITAS PORT

No vessels are visible. Numerous railroad cars are around the warehouse area.

12. SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT

Two large freighters, one large tanker and two ore carriers are present. No military equipment observed.

13. CASILDA MISSILE EQUIPMENT AREA

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

14. ARTEMISA MILITARY CAMP

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

15. HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP

Forty-five tanks and 250 vehicles or pieces of equipment observed. One occupied 6-gun AA position and one 9-gun AA position, occupancy of which could not be determined, observed. About 60 large and 100 small tents are present.

16. MAYARI ARriba MILITARY INSTALLATION.

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

17. REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP

Approximately 225 vehicles including 41 canvas-covered probable tanks and 184 trucks observed. No apparent change in other features noted since [REDACTED]

18. SANTA BRIGIDA MILITARY ACTIVITY

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

19. SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS MILITARY CAMP

No report. Area is cloud-covered.

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STATUS OF MISSION READOUT

PI readout of Missions [REDACTED] is complete. An immediate photographic interpretation report (IPIR) based on these missions is being published as NPIC/R-1131/62

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